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The Honorable Patty Bentley
State Representative
Coverdell Legislative Office Building, Room 607-D
Atlanta, GA 30334

SUBJECT: State Auditor's Certification
House Bill (LC 43 2854)

Dear Representative Bentley:

This bill would amend provisions relating to retirement benefits payable to members of the Georgia Legislative Retirement System. Specifically, this bill would increase the benefits paid to persons who are active members on January 1, 2024 and for persons who become active members after that date. If this legislation is enacted, the monthly retirement benefit payable to such members would increase from \$50 per month for each year of creditable service to \$75 per month for each year of creditable service. Members who served as the presiding officer would continue to receive the enhanced benefit of \$200 per month for each year he or she served in that capacity.

Under the provisions of this bill, any inactive or retired member who, once again, becomes a contributing member on or after January 1, 2024 would be eligible to receive the increased benefit for the membership service they earn after January 1, 2024.

This is to certify that this bill is a fiscal retirement bill as defined in the Public Retirement Systems Standards Law.

Respectfully,

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